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SUBJECT: USG DEL TO THE SECOND SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE
OF EXPERTS OF THE SPECIAL UNION FOR THE INTER-
NATIONAL CLASSIFICATION FOR INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS
(LOCARNO UNION), WIPO, GENEVA, MAY 22-26, 1978

1. THE MEETING OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE
OF EXPERTS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION OF
INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS (LOCARNO UNION), WIPO, GENEVA,
SWITZERLAND, CONCLUDED WITH THE ADOPTION OF THE REPORT
ON MAY 26, 1978. OF THE 16 MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE SPEC-
IAL UNION, 7 WERE IN ATTENDANCE. THE OFFICERS WERE:
MR. J. M. SALAMOLARD (SWITZERLAND), CHAIRMAN; MR. C.
BOUSQUET (U.S.A.) AND MR. J. NORGUET (FRANCE), VICE-
CHAIRMEN; AND MR. C. WERKMAN (WIPO) SECRETARY.

2. THE PROPOSALS FOR REVISION OF THE LOCARNO AGREEMENT
CLASSIFICATION SUBMITTED TO THE COMMITTEE FOR THEIR
CONSIDERATION PRIOR TO THE MEETING WERE REVIEWED. HOW-
EVER, BECAUSE THERE WAS A GENERAL FEELING IN THE
COMMITTEE THAT THE UNITED STATES PROPOSALS WERE COMPLEX,
AND THAT THE CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR ADOPTION COULD BE FAR
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REACHING IN SCOPE, VIRTUALLY ALL UNITED STATES PROPOSALS
WERE DEFERRED FOR FUTURE ACTION AFTER STUDY BY THE INTER-
NATIONAL BUREAU. THIS DECISION WAS A MAJORITY OPINION
BY THE COMMITTEE.

3. ALMOST ALL OF THE DANISH, NORWEGIAN AND SWEDISH
PROPOSALS AND SOME OF THE FRENCH PROPOSALS WERE ADOPTED.

THE SOVIET PROPOSALS, WITH ONE EXCEPTION, WERE REJECTED
MAINLY DUE TO AMBIGUITIES WHICH COULD NOT BE RESOLVED.
A SWISS PROPOSAL, WHICH WAS ONLY PRESENTED AT THE OPENING
OF THE MEETING, WAS CONSIDERED, BUT DECISION ON IT WAS
ALSO DEFERRED. VANDEN HEUVEL

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